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## STORIES OF NOTABLES

One day a group of representatives were gathered in the cloak room of the house, discussing matters of general interest. In the course of the conversation Representative Cannon (now the speaker) said to Speaker Henderson: "I would rather be speaker of the house of representatives than president of the United States." The possibility of Mr. Cannon's election was not in sight then, and Mr. Metcalf, who chanced to be present, remarked to him, half laughingly: "Well, if you are ever a candidate, Uncle Joe, I will vote for you." Time passed on, as it has a way of doing, and it was not long before "Uncle Joe" Cannon was a candidate for the speakership. Among those who were his rivals for the place was Representative Dalsell, of Pennsylvania, who was probably Secretary Metcalf's nearest and dearest friend in the house. The ties of affection pulled his way, but the promise, given half jestingly though it was, pointed in another. Mr. Metcalf explained the situation to Dalsell and—voted for Cannon.—Sunset Magazine for August.

Kuropatkin will be only 58 years old next month. He is an inspiring figure, trusted because he has never been afraid. Five years ago Kuropatkin was warned that the great powder magazine at St. Petersburg was to be blown up within twenty-four hours and the magazine at Toulon, too. Toulon was outside his sphere, but Kuropatkin, who received the warning while in bed, rose and went at once to the St. Petersburg magazine stores. Calling together officers and men, he inspected the stores, declared the inspection satisfactory and gave every man three days' leave of absence as a token of his pleasure. Other guards and sappers were summoned, a rampart was dug around the magazine, and before night it was certain that any danger that had existed had been averted. Nothing happened, but the next morning the powder magazine in Toulon was blown up.—Kansas City Journal.

King Edward is not so tall as many people imagine, and whenever his majesty is photographed in a group he is invariably asked to stand on some small eminence, such as a step, in order that he may compare as well as possible with those about him. In his stocking feet he is just 5 feet 7 1/2 inches. His majesty wears boots with high heels, and his total height as he walks is 5 feet 8 1/2 inches.

Jay Cooke, 84 years old, is an enthusiastic angler along the New Jersey coast. At Beach Haven, a few days ago, the old-time financier landed 177 weakfish and four other members of his party added 297 more to the catch. Mr. Cooke sent the entire lot to the members of his Bible class in Ogontz, Pa. The class has been one of his hobbies for the past fifty years.

The sultan of Turkey has seventy-one titles and on the parchment containing them are the words, "as many more as may be desired can be added to this number." Among the titles are "Abdul Hamid, the Eternally Victorious," "the Eternally Smiling," "the Eternally Invincible," "Distributor of Crowns to the Heroes Seated on the Thrones" and "Shadow of God on Earth."

The shah of Persia has also many pompous titles, among them being "Luminous Star of the Firmament," "the One Star That Gives Light to the Terrestrial Planet," "Pivot of the Universe" and "the Magnetic Center of the Globe." The funniest title, however, is borne by the ruler of Ava, a small kingdom on the borders of Afghanistan. This monarch signs all the decrees as follows: "Signed and sealed by the King of Kings, whom all the world should obey because he preserves life in all human beings, because he regulates the seasons, because he is the father of the sun, and because he is the king of the universe."

Beerbohm Tree tells that recently while playing golf he had a particularly silent and stupid-looking caddy, who followed close at his heels, without saying a word. But since silence sometimes speaks louder than words, the actor was nervous and, after a particularly bad drive, which seemed to demand an apology: "Did you ever see a worse player on these links?" The caddy said nothing. A still worse drive from the next tee called forth the same query, followed by the same silence. Finally, "I say, did you ever see a worse player?" The caddy stared silently for a few moments. "I heard what ye said right enough," he at last slowly replied; "I'm just theenking."—Omaha Bee.

John Nicholas Brown, of Rhode Island, is only 4 years old, but he is

rated worth \$10,000,000. His fortune came from his father and an uncle, in equal amounts, before he was 3 months old. Young Brown has three palatial residences, a yacht, is always attended by a physician and has a retinue of ten servants. He lives on sterilized milk chiefly and has more care bestowed upon him than a royal prince. He is weighed morning and night on special scales and is groomed in the most luxurious manner. The youngster's fortune consists in stock in great cotton mills in New England. His mother was a Miss Dresser, sister of Mrs. George Vanderbilt.—Chicago Chronicle.

Robert B. Armstrong, assistant secretary of the treasury, relates that a newly appointed collector in one of the interior ports had occasion recently to pass upon the appraisal of the statue of Venus de Milo imported for a local magnate. The collector ordered the case opened, found the statue was without arms and entered upon his returns "of no commercial value; damaged in importation."

#### BOTH NEARLY CRUSHED.

New York Tribune: From the upper deck of the lighter Terminal, of the Old Dominion line, at Pier 26, North river, last night, George and Oscar Gunderson, aged 12 and 9 years, respectively, were thrown into the water by a collision with the lighter November, which was being warped into the pier. Oscar's life was saved by his sister, Elizabeth, 21 years old, but George was drowned. It was a sad blow to Captain John Gunderson of the lighter, for it was the second son he had lost in two weeks.

There were nine children. Then Frank, one of the younger boys, died, and to give him proper burial the family gave up their home in the city and went to live on the lighter.

Last night, when the boys fell into the water, Miss Elizabeth sprang to the stern of the lighter and grabbed the top round of the ladder that ran into the water. She could see Oscar struggling between the two boats. The captain of the tug was evidently unconscious of the accident. Six feet away was the November, advancing slowly, while half way between the two was Oscar. Clinging tightly to the ladder with one hand, the girl reached out as far as she could and just caught her brother's toe. A little more effort and she reached his ankle and quickly drew him to her.

It had taken but a few seconds, but the November was getting nearer and nearer. She thought every minute both would be crushed to death. Fear gave her strength, and, dragging the boy from the water, she threw him over her shoulder and started to remount the ladder. Her drenched skirts were clinging to her, and only one hand was free. The November was four feet away. Half way up the ladder she became exhausted and could only hold on. Every minute she expected the crash, but finally the lighter backed off, and she knew she was safe. She found her voice then, and was helped up the ladder by stevedores.

In the meantime a scale man on the pier and a watchman had jumped into the dater and tried to rescue George. They could not find him, but his body was brought up later by grappling hooks.

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